Summary of arguments

- Pro: Taxes are unethical.
    - Con: Without government spending, we don't get important things, eg. police. Without taxes, the government would only be able to collect money through inflation or there would be no government. Also, this inflationary approach might struggle because people wouldn't use the national currency if it had high inflation (unless they were forced to, I guess).
- Pro: If the money taxes go towards is a net bad thing, then evading taxes is fine since you are stripping those bad things of their source of money.
- Con: If the money taxes go towards is a net good thing, then evading taxes is bad since you are stripping those good things of their source of money.
    - Pro: What if you could get a larger benefit by spending that money on something else?
        - Con: This net benefit needs to take into account the bad example you are setting for other people to also evade taxes if you do get caught.
- Pro: The US could not collect taxes and still have enough money to pay for its debts since it has the world's reserve currency.
    - Con: All this does is shift the tax burden onto future people.
- Con: By evading taxes, you are forcing others to contribute more to pay for the government's budget and stealing is unethical.

Unrefuted arguments on the pro side:

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Unrefuted arguments on the con side:

- Con: Without government spending, we don't get important things, eg. police. Without taxes, the government would only be able to collect money through inflation or there would be no government. Also, this inflationary approach might struggle because people wouldn't use the national currency if it had high inflation (unless they were forced to, I guess).
- Con: Even if you can make a larger net benefit elsewhere, you need to take into account the bad example you are setting for other people to also evade taxes if you do get caught.
- Con: By evading taxes, you are forcing others to contribute more to pay for the government's budget and stealing is unethical.

Most convincing pro argument:

- Pro: If the money taxes go towards is a net bad thing, then evading taxes is fine since you are stripping those bad things of their source of money.

Most convincing con argument:

- Con: Without government spending, we don't get important things, eg. police.

I agree with the arguments that the key thing is if what the taxes go towards is a net good or net bad. I think it is ethical in the case they go to a net bad but unethical in the case they go to a net good. Also, if they are net bad, then by evading taxes, you are setting a *good* example for others if you get caught. **In conclusion, it is ethical to evade taxes if the things that the taxes are spent on is a net bad, thus, I will resolve this market 50%.**